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Congressman James F. Bourke, of Pittsburg, in his address before the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick in Philadelphia, spoke significantly when he said:

"That writer uttered a great truth who two centuries ago declared that while the Greeks were a great people and boasted many heroes, their place in history would not be half as illustrious were it not for the fact that they possessed many brilliant writers who successfully exploited on the pages of history the achievements of their people. And so, with the early history of the Irish people in this country. Owing more to the men who wrote than to the men who made our early history, we find many achievements attributed to other nationalities and comparatively few accredited to the Germans and the Irish. The significant part played by them in transforming the results of those events into the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution is impressed upon us with added force the more we scrutinize the story of their struggles and sacrifices."

The time is coming when the Germans and Irish will demand and receive that place in our history to which they are so justly entitled.

THEY WANT JUDGE GRAY.

Another than William Jennings Bryan is looming up, and the Nebraska is threatened with a strong competitor from the East. From Ashland comes the news that the five anthracite counties of Pennsylvania are about to lead off in booming Judge George Gray, of Delaware, for the Democratic nomination for the Presidency. Business men, organized into Boards of Trade and civic societies, are to join hands with the United Mine Workers and other labor unions in an endeavor to place in supreme authority in the nation the man who formulated the plan which has brought years of industrial peace and the greatest prosperity ever known to the anthracite coal region. A canvass has already shown that more than four-fifths of the Democratic committeemen in the counties of Schuylkill, Northumberland, Luzerne, Lackawanna and Wilkes, favor Judge Gray, and the newspapers are practically unanimous in their support. The kindness Judge Gray displayed in that region as the Chairman of the Coal Strike Commission has taken a deep hold on the miners—particularly the solicitude he developed for the child slaves of the mines, many of whose names were taken by the Judge, who has not forgotten to send them useful Christmas gifts every year since then.

THE LAND ACT.

The land purchase act of 1902 is gradually placing the people of Ireland in permanent possession of the soil, just as the Ashbourne act of 1896 rooted several thousands of families on it who at the end of twenty to twenty-five years from now will be practically owners in fee simple. Doubtless some tenants who bought under the act of 1902 have paid too big a price for the land, made a bad bargain, although the Irish leaders and the national press warned and cautioned them over and over again, but the land hunger was so intense among them that they will possibly be obliged to suffer for their improvident bargains. Some people make and bargain buying land or other things in America. But after all it is said and done it is a clear fact that on every estate bought by the tenants the yearly installment toward the purchase price will be anywhere from twenty-five to sixty or seventy per cent, less than the old rent. If they improve the house or farm, the improvement is theirs.

In other respects, declares the Boston Hibernian, Ireland has made substantial progress. Their present system of local, district and county government, which is carried on by elected councils, is equal if not superior to local governments in the counties of any American State. These Irish councils have the levying and collection of taxes for local purposes and the appointment of salaried officials to carry out local purposes. Under this power the County Council of Cork elected no other than O'Donovan Rossa, of New York, to a salaried office, which he filled for a time until he grew tired of life in his new surroundings. But that broad democratic power has been granted to Ireland within the past decade, and what is more, Irishmen are allowed to vote for members of the district councils and to serve as members, and some of the most active and efficient members on such councils are well known Irishmen. So that it is not all dark-

ness and desolation in the cradle-land of the race. There are several unmistakable signs and glimpses of the sunrise.

It has been well said that Commodore Barry was an amphibious fighter. Born in Ireland, he fought England by preference upon the sea, because he was a sailor, but when anything interfered with fighting on the water, the land was good enough. In February, 1776, he made the first capture of a British war vessel by an American cruiser, but when navigation was closed he commanded a company of artillery and did good work around Trenton. Then he took to the water with four boatloads of men and cut out a British war schooner. Returning to the land, he served as an aide on the staff of Gen. Cadwalader, but presently got back to his own element and in October, 1781, he captured the Atlanta and the Trepassy after a very hard fight. In the reorganization of the navy in 1794 he was the senior officer. All Americans feel grateful to the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick for erecting a statue of him, which is well placed near the hall immortalized by that Declaration of Independence for which he fought so well.

During the past few days several of the older generation of Irishmen were heard to commend the Ancient Order of Hibernians for their loyalty to St. Patrick, whom they never fail to honor on March 17. They one and all approved the religious observance and the banquet that has taken place here, but were inclined to criticize the younger generation for their falling off in enthusiasm. Years ago, they said, St. Patrick's day was a semi-holiday in Louisville, and the Irish people joined in a big celebration that occupied a commanding place in the public eye. They had parades that gave the Irish prestige and banquets attended by all nationalities, with speeches by the most noted men of the day. This is all true, and when next year the anniversary falls on another day than Sunday they may see a public demonstration that will gratify them.

Brig. Gen. Thomas Henry Barry, who now commands the American troops in Cuba, is a member of the general staff of the army. He is considered one of the best experts in the army on tactics and but recently returned from a trip abroad taken for the purpose of inspecting foreign maneuvers. Gen. Barry is a native of New York and fifty-one years of age, is a graduate of the College of the City of New York and of the United States Military Academy, and his military service includes a long list of important assignments. He was a member of the China relief expedition and served in the Philippines. As in the Revolutionary days, the fighting race still continues in the front rank of the defenders of the stars and stripes.

Acting unitedly upon all matters concerning the future of this glorious country, the bonds of fraternal feeling can be cultivated between the Germans and Irish, the two greatest elements of our population, to the mutual advantage of both and of the American republic. Then the falsehoods disseminated by the Anglo-Saxonizers respecting the policy of Germany and the doings of its Emperor would be nil.

The Western Kentucky editor who says, "Beware of the woman who talks about heaven in church and about her neighbors on the street," most assuredly gives good advice. They are the ones you should avoid.

The total immigration to the United States during the month of January was 54,417, an increase of 2,260 over last year. Of this number but 340 were from Ireland, against 448 last year.

During the year 1906 there were 674 persons, including employees, killed on the electric lines of this country, and 2,933 injured. Two hundred and nine were killed by automobiles and 831 injured.

In the United States the amount of per capita spent is about thirty-five cents for military and \$1.40 for education, and in England about \$3.75 for military and eighty cents for education.

Grover Cleveland, the only living ex-President of the United States, last Monday celebrated in a quiet and unostentatious manner the seventieth anniversary of his birth.

In Victoria, Australia, the children are carried to and from school on the electric cars free of charge. St. Petersburg holds the highest death rate among the world's capitals.

SOCIETY.

Miss Mamie Dillon has been spending ten days in New York and the East.

Miss Margaret O'Toole is home from Elizabethtown, where she was the guest of Mrs. William Lee for a week.

Miss Bezie Hannan, of the New York store, returned Wednesday from a visit of two weeks to New York.

Miss Emily Griffin, for a week the guest of Mrs. James Reilly in South Louisville, has returned to her home at Crescent Hill.

Carl Baker, well known throughout the West End, has almost entirely recovered from his two months' illness of typhoid fever.

Miss Fannie Dermody is again at her home in South Louisville, after an enjoyable visit with relatives at Floyd Knobs, Ind.

Mrs. Patrick Mannix has returned to her home at Leitchfield, after a pleasant visit with Mrs. Elizabeth Long, 3209 Third street.

Mr. and Mrs. William Gannon have gone to housekeeping in a cosy home at Third and T streets, where they are at home to their friends.

Miss Kate Riordan, of Portland, is expected home today from Chicago, where she has been spending a week as the guest of Mrs. Joe Hoerter.

We regret to announce the illness of Mrs. Mary Clines at her home on Seventeenth street. For several days she has been unable to leave her room.

Mrs. Blanche Shelley's numerous friends and admirers had cordial greetings for her upon her reappearance last Sunday, after a three weeks' illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wake, of Clarksville, Tenn., arrived the first of the week to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Francis McKernan, 1716 Fourth avenue.

Miss Madeline Kremer, the interesting daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Baxter Kremer, is able to be out again, having recovered from a severe illness of typhoid fever.

All who know Clint McClarty, Jr., will rejoice to know that his condition is greatly improved and that he will soon have entirely recovered from his illness of typhoid fever.

Office John Heintzman, for the past seven weeks ill with typhoid fever, is now improving rapidly and will soon be able to return to his post as stationkeeper at the Central station.

Miss Norma Daun, of Dees Park, has had as her guest for the past week Miss Martha Lehman, a pretty and popular girl, who came here to spend St. Patrick's day and attend the exposition.

Thomas Tevlin, a popular member of Mackin Center, who was last week removed to his home, 2543 St. Cecilia street, after a nine weeks' illness of typhoid pneumonia, is out again and will soon be able to return to his position.

Robert Gleason, a superintendent in the Frankfort penitentiary, returned to his old home in Jeffersonville to spend St. Patrick's day and witness the entertainment given by the Hibernians, of which body he was so long the President.

J. Brunn, the well known Market street jeweler, has gone to Mt. Clemens, Mich., to see about an attack of rheumatism from which he has been a sufferer for several weeks. His friends hope for his speedy recovery and return home.

Miss Mary Pilcher, who was expected to return from St. Mary's College at Knoxville, Ill., to spend the Easter holidays with relatives in the Highlands, has decided to remain at school and will not be home until after the annual commencement.

There is great rejoicing in the Leahy home, 595 East Broadway, where the stock has left a lovely baby girl. Father William is as proud as a peacock and declares the little one "the fairest ever." Father and mother are receiving congratulatory messages upon all sides.

Mr. and Mrs. Gus Helfrich and Miss Hattie Madlung entertained at their home on West Spring street, New Albany, Sunday evening with St. Patrick's day party. The house was decorated in green and white, those colors being carried out in the refreshments, and appropriate souvenirs of the day were given.

Martin Dugan's friends will be rejoiced to learn that there has been a decidedly favorable change in his condition and it is expected he can be removed to his home next week. He suffered a relapse that caused his attendants and relatives much uneasiness, but the good care received has pulled him through.

The engagement of Frank Zoeller and Miss Bertha Hoffman, popular young people of New Albany, has just been announced. The wedding will take place shortly after Easter at St. Mary's church, and the happy couple will make their home in New Albany. The groom-elect holds a responsible position with the New Albany Trust Company, and is also Financial Secretary and a prominent member of Unity Council, Y. M. I. Miss Hoffman is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Hoffman and is a most estimable young woman.

INVITED ARCHBISHOP QUIGLEY.

Archbishop Quigley, of Chicago, was one of the number who were specially invited to be present at the reception on Monday, when the members of the Sacred College and other high dignitaries of the Church presented their greetings to the Pope on the eve of his name day.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY.

True to its faith and fatherland with pious, zealous care, And in that constancy and love where virtue has its share, The Irish heart, where'er it beats, at home or far away, Expands with joy as morning breaks to hail St. Patrick's day. Its advent truly chronicles the glory of the Gael.

Since the banner of the cross was raised in happy Innisfaul; Since the light of our enduring faith illumed her pagan sky, When Erin, faithful Erin, knelt to worship God and high, Behold her in the Springtime of a blooming, golden age! The hope of nations, then unknown, writ in her virgin page; Her mission sketch'd by Providence— In Christian robes array'd, She preach'd, with burning eloquence, the cross of her crusade.

And then, we see her seated on a throne of blazing light, Resplendent in her mission like the vernal moon at night; A crown of learning on her brow, the crucifix her crest; Her crown of glory and her colleges the glory of the West. Her holy men and women sought new fields in every land, Wherein to plant the tree of life to blossom and expand; Spreading hope and consolation around them on their way; Teaching liberty and progress where they went or came to stay.

What precious fruits were gather'd in the vineyards they had till'd! What richly laden granaries with golden grain were fill'd! While flocks red from slavery were nurtured in the fold, By those faithful shepherds of the cross by whom they were consoled.

What a glorious mission, Erin, for ages has been thine! And still goes onward, Erin, with no semblance of declining; Still preaching and professing; still dispensing, far and wide, That charity and peace and love for which the Saviour died.

And in that sacred mission, Holy Island of the Sea! Thy children, scattered o'er the earth, preserve their faith in thee; That faith, which knows no waning, seeks a home beyond the skies, Where, when human thrones have crumbled, the immortal soul shall rise.

—Lawrence Goulding.

RECENT DEATHS.

With profound sorrow was received news of the death of Mrs. Mary A. Waterman, aged thirty-six years, last Saturday. She was the wife of William Waterman, 1712 Owen street, and passed away just when home and life were most desired. Her funeral took place Wednesday morning from St. Patrick's church, of which she was a devout member.

Mrs. Dora Cain, a most estimable model of a Christian mother, passed away Tuesday morning at her home, 709 Florence place, after a lingering illness of dropsy. She was the widow of Patrick Cain, and leaves a son, John Cain, with the L. & N., and a daughter, Mrs. Brown. Her funeral was held Thursday morning from St. Louis Bertrand's church.

Monday morning death's summons came to William Noone, son of Thomas and the late Mary Noone, 1823 Lytle street. His demise came as a shock to his friends and acquaintances and for the bereaved father there is most profound sympathy. The funeral took place Wednesday morning from St. Patrick's church, the interment being in St. Louis cemetery.

The funeral of Henry Becker, for nearly fifty years a resident of this city and one of the most faithful members of St. Anthony's church, took place Wednesday morning with a high mass of requiem. Deceased was sixty-nine years old and a native of Germany. He is survived by two daughters and seven sons, all of whom reside here and were with him when the end came.

Richard Lehan, well known and prosperous farmer living near Jefferson, was called to his eternal reward Tuesday night. He was a native of County Cork, Ireland, but for many years had been a resident of Kentucky. Surviving him are his wife, Mrs. Ellen Lehan, and one son, Daniel Lehan. The remains were brought to Dougherty & McElliot's and the funeral services were held at St. Louis Bertrand's church Thursday morning.

Andrew Nichol, aged sixty-nine years and a pioneer member of the Cathedral congregation, died Tuesday morning at his home, 730 Fifth street, after a short illness, the aged wife being the only survivor. For many years Mr. Nichol was a factor in the business life of Louisville, but retired on a competency on account of his advanced age. He was honored and respected throughout the city, and to all charities donated liberally. Thursday morning the funeral services were held at the Cathedral, being largely attended by old friends and acquaintances.

Paralysis claimed for its victim Tuesday morning Mrs. Emma Ramp Pfeiffer, mother of Robert Lee and Miss Alma Pfeiffer. Mrs. Pfeiffer suffered the fatal stroke Monday night at her home, 1414 Alta avenue, and though given every attention she never rallied. Deceased was born in this city fifty-three years ago, and was known for her piety and generous but unostentatious charity. Her funeral took place Thursday morning from St. Bridget's church, which was thronged with mourning friends when Rev. Father Connolly began the solemn mass of requiem for the repose of her soul.

By the death of Mrs. Jane Kirkup, beloved wife of John Kirkup, which occurred Wednesday morning, the Cathedral loses another of its older and most faithful members. Some time ago she suffered a stroke of paralysis, and to this was due her death. Mrs. Kirkup was a woman of many Christian virtues and was admired by all who had the good fortune to know her. She was the mother of Misses Jennie and Margaret Kirkup.

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well known school teachers, who with a wide circle of relatives and acquaintances mourn her death. The funeral took place Friday morning from the Cathedral.

EXPOSITION

Has Interest For Larger Number Than Any Other Show.

The Greater Louisville Exposition, which opened Monday and will continue all next week, has an interest for a larger number of individuals than almost any other of the many exhibitions of the sort which have been available for the people during a busy season of illustrations of American achievement in various fields of industry. The horse show, the automobile show, the electrical show have their spectacular interest for large crowds, but after all the number of men who could profit personally by the inspection of such exhibits is comparatively small.

Crowds have crowded the armory nightly, leaving only to return again. The scene presented is a brilliant and spectacular one, and the exhibits are a pleasing surprise to all visitors. Monday night the Irish-Americans filled the vast building, and since then the crowds had grown in size. During the coming week every citizen of Louisville should visit this exposition, as they will learn much of interest concerning Louisville and its varied industries.

Tonight will be Labor night, Monday will be for the Catholic Knights of America, and Tuesday for the Knights and Ladies of Honor.

PALM SUNDAY.

Tomorrow will be Palm Sunday, the last before Easter. This is a day of utmost importance to Catholics, many of whom will make it the occasion of receiving their Easter communion. There now remains but one more week of Lent, and if any there be who have not complied with their Easter duty they should no longer delay. Remember that this may be the last opportunity granted to pay this homage to the Creator of the universe, who assures eternal life to all who follow his precepts.

CAPT. RILEY'S CASE.

Capt. Tom Riley, who was so summarily dismissed from the police force for his stand against things brought here last week, has been damned by the papers that wear the collar, but is receiving commendations from the people. The workingmen have taken up his case in earnest and will see that he is not the loser. Capt. Riley has more friends than all the members of the Board of Safety together, and need have no fears as to the future. There is something better than policemen in store for him if he wants it.

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